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1ST SESSION

# H. J. RES. 33

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States respecting  
the right to a clean, safe, and sustainable environment.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 3, 2009

Mr. JACKSON of Illinois introduced the following joint resolution; which was  
referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United  
States respecting the right to a clean, safe, and sustain-  
able environment.

1       *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*  
2       *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*  
3       *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein),* That the fol-  
4       lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-  
5       stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all  
6       intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when  
7       ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several  
8       States:

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. All persons shall have a right to a clean,  
3 safe, and sustainable environment, which right shall not  
4 be denied or abridged by the United States or any State.

5 “SECTION 2. The Congress shall have power to en-  
6 force and implement this article by appropriate legisla-  
7 tion.”.

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